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TO: Chief, Plans

FROM: Chief. EE

SUBJECT: Funds for Office Space for GROSSBARN

- 1. The GROSSBAHN project is being written up for approval and will be submitted within the next day or so. GROSSBAEN (formerly known as USAGE) was originally an agent of Zipper. In early 1950 he became an agent of the Pullach Operations Base, and in the spring of 1952 was turned over to the Salzburg Operations Base. Submission of the project for approval has been held up pending the receipt of full PRQ's on the principal GROSSBAHN sub-agents. Full operational clearance for GROSSBAHN has been granted.
- 2. We have been asked to make an immediate decision on the expenditure of funds to procure secure office space for GROSSBAHN. The request is deemed urgent, because office space in Salzburg is at a great premium, and a possibility has come up which must be decided on right away. The present office quarters occupied by GROSSBAHN are not considered very secure.
- 3. The proposed new office space involves a six month payment of rental in advance. Approval, as embodied in paragraph 1 of attached cable, is therefore requested for the expenditure of up to \$800 to cover office rent and utilities for a six month period for GROSSBAHN. This will be included in the project outline.

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